From: Tom Buch
To: Keith, Kirsten
Subject: RE: RE AB 1250
Date: Tuesday, May 02, 2017 7:15:19 AM

Hello Kirsten,
I understand the desire on the part of cities to try to save money wherever possible. But at some point, we all need to understand that both in private and public institutions and corporations, the desire to save money does have consequences beyond just lower costs. When those costs come at the expense of workers in terms of limiting or completely eliminating their ability to negotiate for wages, benefits, etc., then we need to spend more to protect those workers. It seems that people's memories are short given that there is a general trend in the country as a whole to simply save money without looking at the impact that has on individuals. Sure, a company can save money by cutting back on benefits such as health insurance or maternity leave, but the long fought for gains of unions who represent those workers must not be ignored for short-term solutions of saving money.
I urge support of AB 1250 as that will benefit the cities in the long term.
Tom Buch

From: Kirsten Keith [mailto:kkeith@menlopark.org]
Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2017 12:33 AM
To: Tom Buch
Subject: Re: RE AB 1250

Hello Tom,

Thank you for your email and research. I understand your concern.

SB 1250 will be on our May 23, 2017, City Council agenda. I am on the Board of Directors for the League of California Cities, which has taken a position of opposition to SB 1250.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

Kirsten Keith,
Mayor of Menlo Park
On Mon, May 1, 2017 at 4:01 AM Tom Buch <tom@tomsteffi.com> wrote:

> Dear Council members:
> I am a resident of Menlo Park. I just received an impassioned email from Lee Duboc asking residents to demand that the Council oppose AB1250. In so doing, the council would go against the public employee unions. Private contracting has its benefits, I'm sure, but I am in FAVOR of AB1250. I never heard of it before today, but after doing some reading, I realized that the unions in this country are, and have been for some time, under assault from the business community without regard to the benefits the unions provide to millions of workers, both private and public.
> Lee Duboc's appeal is based on a cynical attitude toward unions and worker's rights.
> I hope the Council does NOT take up the agenda of the assault on workers rights.
> Thank You,

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Best regards,

Kirsten Keith,
Mayor of Menlo Park